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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

**Classification Designation:** 

**Prior Group Art Unit: 1635** 

## REQUEST FOR FILING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a divisional application under Rule 53(b) (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)) of co-pending prior application Serial No. 09/046,894 filed March 24, 1998, entitled "DIAGNOSIS OF DISEASE STATE USING MRNA PROFILES IN PERIPHERAL LEUKOCYTES."

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application Serial No. 09/046,894 as originally filed, including specification, claims, drawings, and declaration. The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application as originally filed and identified above, that no amendments (if any) referred to in the declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or

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|             |    | both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent |  |  |  |
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|             |    | issuing there  | on.  |  |  |
|             |    | (a) 🔀  | The inventorship is the same as prior Application Serial No.           |  |  |
|             |    |  | 09/046,894.  |  |  |
|             |    | (b)  | Deletion of inventor(s). Signed statement attached deleting            |  |  |
|             |    |  | inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2) |  |  |
|             |    |  | and 1.33(b).   |  |  |
|             |    | (c)  | Priority of foreign patent application number , filed in               |  |  |
|             |    |  | is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(e). The certified copy:           |  |  |
|             |    |  | is enclosed.   |  |  |
|             |    |  | has been filed in the prior Application Serial No.                     |  |  |
|             |    |  |  |  |  |
|             | 2. | The Assistant Commissioner is requested to grant Applicant a filing date in  |  |  |  |
|             |    | accordance with Rule 1.53, and supply Applicant with a Notice of Missing Parts   |  |  |  |
|             |    | in due course  | , in accordance with the provisions of Rule 1.53(f).                   |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$ | 3. | Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$345.00 to cover the filing fee as calculated  |  |  |  |
|             |    | below and the fee for any new claims added in the Preliminary Amendment  |  |  |  |
|             |    | referred to in Part No. 9 below.   |  |  |  |
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| FOR                                   |         | NUMBER<br>FILED                   | NUMBER<br>EXTRA                           | RATE                  | FEE                                      |
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| Basic                                 | Fee     | ·                                 |   |                       | \$345.00                                 |
| Total Claims<br>Independent<br>Claims |         | 20 - 20 = 1 - 3 = endent Claim(s) |   | X \$3                 | 8.00 = \$0.00<br>9.00 = \$0.00<br>\$-000 |
| Multi                                 | pic Dep |                                   | TOTAL FILI                                |                       | \$345.00                                 |
| $\boxtimes$                           | 4.      | Applicant is entitled t           |   |                       |  |
|                                       |         | (a) A small entity                | statement is enclose                      | sed.                  |  |
| $\boxtimes$                           |         | (b) A small entity                | statement was file                        | d in the prior nonpro | visional application and                 |
|                                       |         | such status is s                  | still proper and desi                     | red.                  |  |
|                                       |         | (c) Small entity st               | tatus is no longer o                      | laimed.               |  |
| $\boxtimes$                           | 5.      | If the check is miss              | ing or insufficien                        | t, the Assistant Co   | ommissioner is hereby                    |
|                                       |         | authorized to charge              | any fees under 3                          | 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 t   | o 1.21 which may be                      |
|                                       |         | required for any reason           | on relating to this                       | application, or cred  | lit any overpayment to                   |
|                                       |         | Fulbright & Jaworsk               | ai, L.L.P. Deposit                        | Account No. 50-12     | 12/10023400/RN1980.                      |
| $\boxtimes$                           | 6.      | Enclosed is a copy of             | the current Power                         | of Attorney in the p  | orior application.                       |
| $\boxtimes$                           | 7.      | Address all future com            | nmunications to:                          |                       |  |
|                                       |         |                                   | & JAWORSKI, L<br>Ave., Ste. 1900<br>78701 | L.P.                  |  |
| $\boxtimes$                           | 8.      | The prior application             | is presently assign                       | ned to Urocor, Inc.,  | 800 Research Parkway,                    |

#200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104-3699.

| $\boxtimes$ | 9.  | Enclosed is a preliminary amendment. Any additional fees incurred by this          |
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|             |     | amendment are included in the check at No. 3 above and said fee has been           |
|             |     | calculated after calculation of claims and after amendment of claims by the        |
|             |     | preliminary amendment.   |
|             | 10. | Cancel in this application claims of the prior application before calculating      |
|             |     | the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained).        |
|             | 11. | Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:This is a  |
|             |     | continuation of co-pending application Serial No. filed                            |
| $\boxtimes$ | 12. | Enclosed are formal drawings.  |
|             | 13. | An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.                             |
|             |     | (a) PTO-1449.  |
|             |     | (b) Copies of IDS citations.   |
| $\boxtimes$ | 14. | Transfer the sequence information, including the computer readable form previously |
|             |     | submitted in the parent application, Serial No. 09/046,894 filed March 24, 1998,   |
|             |     | for use in this application. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), Applicants state that the |
|             |     | paper copy of the sequence listing in this application is identical to the         |
|             |     | computer readable copy in parent application Serial No. 09/046,894 filed           |
|             |     | March 24, 1998. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), Applicants also state that the         |
|             |     | information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written         |
|             |     |  |

Other: Copy of Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.321(a) and Request to Transfer of Sequence Listing.

sequence listing.





16. Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized).

Respectfully submitted,

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